



Environment Institute of  
Australia and New Zealand Inc.

## EIANZ 2018 Annual Conference

**Sydney Hilton Hotel | 1-2 November 2018**

### Call for Papers

The Organising Committee for the 2018 Environment Institute of Australia and New Zealand Annual Conference (EIANZ 2018) invites members and colleagues in the environment profession to submit abstracts of papers relating to their work for consideration as an oral or poster presentations within the EIANZ 2018 Conference Program.

The EIANZ supports environmental practitioners and promotes independent and interdisciplinary discussion of environmental issues and their management. The Institute also promotes environmental knowledge and awareness, and advances ethical and competent environmental practice.

EIANZ 2018 is hosted by EIANZ's NSW Chapter and will be held at the Sydney Hilton Hotel, superbly located in the heart of Australia's largest city.

The theme for EIANZ 2018 is:



We invite you to 'Imagine' and look to the future in submitting papers to address the conference sub-themes of: Managing the future, Strategic impact assessment, Climate change, Digital disruption, Transport, Social impact assessment, Environmental education/communication, Land contamination, Heritage, Biodiversity reform, Waste or Ecology.

#### Key Dates

**Abstract Submission Open**

**Abstract Submission Close**

**Authors Notified of Acceptance**

**Author Registration & Early Bird Deadline**

**Deadline for Full Paper Submission**

**EIANZ 2018 Conference Dates**

**Now**

**Friday 15 June 2018**

**Monday 2 July 2018**

**Tuesday 31 August 2018**

**Monday 1 October 2018**

**1-2 November 2018**

## General Policies and Requirements

- All papers must be the author's original work. A paper should not be submitted if the work is to be published/presented at a major national or international conference prior to EIANZ 2018.
- All papers must align with one of the proposed conference concurrent session themes – see below.
- Abstracts must contain sufficient information so that the paper as presented provides a complete report of the author's work, independent of the conference presentation. The text should not contain statements alluding to results or conclusions not presented within the text.
- Submission acknowledges consent to publication of the paper in the Conference proceedings publication.
- The presenting author will be required to register and pay the applicable registration fee for the Conference in order to ensure their paper(s) is included in the final program. Deadline for presenting author registration is **Tuesday 31 August 2018**.
- All submissions must be completed electronically via the online submission facility. If you are unable to submit in this manner, please contact the Conference Managers at [eianzconference@arinex.com.au](mailto:eianzconference@arinex.com.au) or phone: +61 2 9265 0700 for further information.
- All papers must be prepared according to the guidelines provided. Papers will only be accepted and published if submitted using the supplied template.
- There is no limit to the number of papers that may be submitted by an individual. However, splitting of a body of work into multiple papers is discouraged and consolidation into one paper is preferred.

## Abstract Submission Instructions

These will be provided via a link from the EIANZ 2018 Conference website early next week. In the meanwhile, for further information please contact our Conference Organising team at [eianz@arinex.com.au](mailto:eianz@arinex.com.au). This will include information on:

- General Policies and Requirements for the submission of Abstracts and Papers.
- Abstract and Paper Format & Layout Guidelines
- Abstract and Paper Templates
- Abstract and Paper Submission

Note: your paper will need to be provided as a .doc or .docx document. Abstracts must not exceed a 300-word limit. The word limit relates only to the text of the abstract and will not include title, authors and institutions.

You will send your abstracts and papers to: [eianzconference@arinex.com.au](mailto:eianzconference@arinex.com.au)

## Notification of Acceptance

The EIANZ Conference Planning Committee will review all submitted abstracts and assess them in relation to quality and relevance to the Conference streams and the questions raised.

Notifications of acceptance will be sent via e-mail to the submitting author by **Monday 2 July 2018**.

Papers submitted for oral presentations that cannot be accommodated within the program will be considered and reviewed for a place in the poster display.

Where an abstract for a paper is accepted, revisions or changes of emphasis to match the Conference stream may be requested.

All presentations will be required to provide a recommended action for EIANZ or the environment profession in response to the concerns or issues discussed in their paper and presentation.

Written papers for presentations must be submitted to the EIANZ Conference Planning Committee by **Monday 1 October 2018**.

### **Conference Session Themes**

Authors must submit their abstracts to align with one of the following concurrent conference themes:

#### **Managing the Future – Imagining New Opportunities and Challenges:**

In this session, the conference will explore the following questions:

- What are the dominant environmental and social issues shaping the future?
- How should the environment profession respond to evolving environmental and social pressures?
- What new environmental challenges will arise in the coming decades?
- What new solutions are emerging to shape the work of practitioners over the next decade?

#### **Strategic Impact Assessment**

This session will be led by the EIANZ Impact Assessment SIS. Strategic Impact Assessment (SIA) has increased in importance as environmental management increasingly focuses on the impacts of policies to complement the impact of individual projects or developments. The scale of growth of major cities across Australia and New Zealand makes this scale of assessment increasingly important. This session will explore the trends in the current and future application of SIA in the region.

#### **Climate Change**

This session, led by the EIANZ Climate Change SIS, will focus on the environmental policy and management challenges of dealing with climate change. It will explore innovations in technology and policy at a global and regional levels that can limit the impacts and consequences of climate change?

#### **Digital Disruption in the Environmental Sector**

The growth of digital technology has been astounding over the last two decades and has changed the way we do business, communicate, manage knowledge and control many facets of life. Technical advances in this field include: the internet, mobile internet use, artificial intelligence, robotics, augmented and virtual reality technologies as well as the rapidly increasing ability to store, process and analyse vast amounts of data. This session will address question including:

- What impacts are these technologies having on management of the environment?
- What technologies are most relevant for application in the environmental sector?
- What case studies illustrate best practice use of digital technology in the environmental sector?
- How can digital disruption be used to capitalise upon the opportunities presented?

## **Transport**

Transport networks are the circulatory systems of modern economies. When working efficiently, the economy is healthy and thrives. If not, the consequence is the economic equivalent of a heart attack. This session will explore the roles that environmental professionals must fulfil to meet the challenges of our transport needs of the mid-21st century and beyond, and ensure that the delivery of transport solutions is sensitive to the physical and cultural landscapes into which they are inevitably inserted. Our speakers are leaders in transport thinking and governance.

## **Social Impact Assessment**

Social Impact Assessment is a core component of environmental assessment practice across Australia and New Zealand. This session will focus on how practitioners are imagining a future that recognises that people and community are integral to environmental assessment.

## **Environmental Education and Communications**

This session will explore how environmental professionals are achieving change through innovative education and communications techniques. It will explore how environmental practitioners can improve project engagement through the use of new approaches that respond to evolving community expectations?

## **Contaminated Land**

This session will be led by the EIANZ Land Management SIS and will examine how practitioners can harness skills across disciplines to identify legacy contamination from past practices and provide systems to ensure that new technologies avoid creating contamination challenges for future generations.

## **Heritage**

This session will be led by the EIANZ Heritage Special Interest Section. The session will feature presentations that will showcase new and innovative approaches to heritage management. These will examine new systems and approaches to achieve better resolution of heritage issues and enhanced community support for those outcomes.

## **Biodiversity Reform**

Governments across Australia and New Zealand have recently reformed the way that biodiversity protection is managed with increasing emphasis on offsets, codes of practice and standardised assessment methodologies, along with requiring increased contributions to management from outside government. This session will include contributions from government and non-government authorities that will examine how recent reforms will influence biodiversity protection and restoration over the next decade.

## **Waste management**

As cities grow, the pressures of managing waste streams become larger and more complex. This session will explore the challenges of managing and utilising waste into the mid-21st century and beyond in large Australian and New Zealand cities. The session will also examine the contributions that environment professionals will make to meeting these challenges through innovations in governance, policy, practice and technology. The session will also include speakers and industry leaders addressing managing the growth and complex challenges of waste through technological and policy innovation.

## Ecology

This session, to be led by the EIANZ Ecology Special Interest Section (SIS), will examine developments and trends in ecology and ecological management. It will build on practitioner experience and support the development of ecological management approaches that are focused on achieving improvement as well as minimising loss. How can future advances in technology be used to make these improvements?

## Paper Format and Layout Guidelines

- Abstracts of papers must not exceed a **300**-word limit. The word limit relates only to the text of the paper and **does not** include title, authors and institutions.
- Font type must be Calibri Font 11pt.
- Use single line spacing.
- Tables may be included in the paper body. Calibri font must be used. All formatting is preserved (italics, bold, superscripting, subscripting, underlining) and symbol characters (ie  $\pm$ ,  $\mu$ ,  $\beta$ ) may be used.
- Papers must be free of typographical and grammatical errors.
- Standard abbreviations may be used for common terms only. Otherwise, any abbreviation should be given in brackets after the first full use of the word. Abbreviations may be used in the title, provided the name in full is outlined in the body of the paper.
- You will be asked to provide a short biography (up to 150 words) with your submission.
- You will be asked to nominate your preference for poster or oral presentation.
- Please include degrees or professional titles (e.g. Dr, Prof., etc).
- It is the author's responsibility to ensure the title, author and affiliation details entered in the paper submission site are correct and exactly as they should be published on the paper and all Conference materials.

## Paper Template

Authors must prepare their paper by the deadline using the approved template. This will be available via the EIANZ 2018 Conference website from early June.

Authors can email their finalised paper to [eianzconference@arinex.com.au](mailto:eianzconference@arinex.com.au). All papers will be reviewed based on the guidelines provided and if these are not followed the paper is likely to be declined.

**If you require any assistance or further information, please contact the Conference Managers on:**

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